

REMARKS

This patent application presently includes claims 1-22, claims 23-62 having been canceled without prejudice. All subsisting claims stand rejected. These claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

On August 21, 2009, the undersigned held a telephone interview with examiner Sinkantarakorn, at which time the present amendment was discussed. At that time, it was agreed that claims 1-21 of this application are in condition for allowance in view of the last amendment, but the examiner indicated that he would continue to reject claims 22-27. However, it was agreed that this application would be allowed if claims 22-27 were canceled.

The applicant is desirous of obtaining a patent for the allowable subject matter without further delay. Therefore, without the intention of concurring in the examiner's opinion of claims 22-27, those claims have been canceled without prejudice to pursuing their subject matter in a continuing application.

Applicant's attorney has made every effort to place this application in condition for allowance. It is therefore requested that this application, as a whole, receive further reconsideration that claims 1-21 be allowed and that the application be passed on to allowance, as agreed.

Should further questions arise, the examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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